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11 ZACHARIAH JUDSON RUTLEDGE,

No. C 07-04274 EMC

12 Plaintiff(s),

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE
A MAGISTRATE JUDGE
AND
REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

13 v.
14 COUNTY OF SONOMA, et al

15 Defendant(s).

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17 REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

18 The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United
19 States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to
20 a United States District Judge.

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22 Dated: February 11, 2008

Signature



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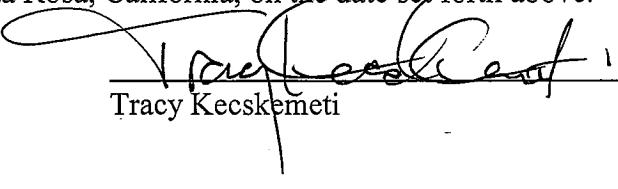
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